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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 75-249

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Superseded by_

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SUBJECT: FOOD STAMP PROGRAM - REVISED PURCHASE REQUIREMENTS FOR JANUARY 1, 1976

REFERENCE:

Attached is an advance copy of what we believe will be the revised Purchase Requirement Tables for food stamps as received from Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, on November 26, 1975. We believe these tables will be effective January 1, 1976. These tables will not be mandatory until regulations are adopted by the Department in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

However, FNS has informally advised the Department of Benefit Payments that implementation of the purchase requirement tables is required on January 1, 1976. Those counties which are unable to implement the tables on January 1, 1976 will be required to provide retroactive benefits to participating households which do not receive the additional benefits provided through the new tables.

This advance copy is being released to provide some lead time for county welfare departments to make adjustments or revisions to their computer programs or manual systems. By not providing this information sooner, FNS has imposed a hardship on counties to implement these changes by January 1. The Department of Benefit Payments has repeatedly informed FNS that revisions to the purchase requirement tables need to be received by the State 60 days prior to implementation.

The Department will continue to pursue all available means to assist the counties with the implementation of the new tables. The Department's efforts to date include a request to FNS to delay the effective date of the tables or to provide the counties with 100% reimbursement for costs incurred by the implementation of the tables on such short notice.

In addition to these efforts, an All County Letter has been drafted providing the counties with procedures for the administrative granting of retroactive benefits without the need of Fair Hearing request by households. These procedures should reduce considerably the expense and effort required to process retroactive benefit claims.

Counties are reminded that the usage of the various types of coupon books will change as a result of these revised purchase requirements. To determine coupon needs, counties should analyze the revised coupon allotments, the mandatory mix-of-books table, the history of redeemed ATP or HIR cards, and expected coupon

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inventories as of January 1. If shortages are likely to occur in any denomination, counties should immediately submit an emergency requisition to FNS, Western Region, placing in the Remarks' block of the form an approximate date that the coupon books will be needed.

It is important to note that the attached table is for 'monthly' coupon allotments only. The expanded tables which include allotments for three-quarter, semi-monthly, and quarter-month allotments will be provided when they are received by the Department.

Your continuing cooperation is appreciated. If there are any questions regarding these tables, please direct them to Dick Fox of the Food Stamp Policy Coordination Bureau at (916) 445-6907.

Sincerely,

GARY D. MÄCÖMBER Deputy Director

Attachment

cc: FNS, USDA

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| 30 to 39.99 40 to 49.99 | 4 6 | 4 7 | 4 7 | 4 7 | 5 8 | 5 8 | 5 8 | 5 8 |
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| 50 to 59.99 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| 60 to 69.99 70 to 79.99 | 10 12 | 12 15 | 13 16 | 13 16 | 14 17 | :4 17 | 15 18 | 16 19 |
| 80 to 89.99 | 14 | 18 | 19 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 21 | 22 |
| 90 to 99.99 | 16 | 21 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 100 to 109.99 | 18 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 110 to 119,99 | 21 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 31 | 32 | 33 |
| 120 to 129.99 130 to 139.99 | 24 27 | 29 32 | 30 33 | 31 34 | 33 36 | 34 37 | 35 38 | 36 39 |
| 140 to 149.99 | 30 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
| 150 to 69.99 | 33 | 38 | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 |
| 170 to 139.99 | 35 | 44 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 51 |
| 190 to 200,99 210 to 229,99 | 38 40 | 50 50 | 52 50 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 57 |
| 230 to 249.39 | 40 | 56 62 | 58 64 | 59 65 | 60 66 | 62 67 | 62 68 | 63 69 |
| 250 to 260.99 | | 68 | 70 | 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 |
| 270 to 251.99 | | 72 | 76 - | | 78 | 79 05 | 80 | 31 |
| 290 to 309.99 310 to 329.99 | | 72 | 82 88 | 83 89 | 84 90 | 85 91 | 86 92 | 87 93 |
| 330 to 359.99 | | | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 |
| 360 to 389.99 | | | 102 | 104 | 105 | 106 | 107 | 108 |
| 390 to 419.99 420 to 449.99 | | | 111 | 113 | 114 | 115 | 116 | 117 |
| 450 to 479.99 | | | 112 | 122 131 | 123 132 | 124 133 | 125 134 | 126 135 |
| 480 to 509.99 | | | | 140 | 141 | 142 | 143 | 144 |
| 510 to 539.99 | | | | 142 | 150 | 51 | 1,52 | 153 |
| 540 to 569.99 | | | | 142 | 159 | 160 | 161 | 162 |
| 570 to 599.99 600 to 629.99 | | | | | 168 170 | 169 175 | 170 179 | 171 180 |
| 630 to 659.99 | | | | | 170 | 187 | 183 | 189 |
| 660 to 689.99 | | | | | 170 | 196 | 197 | 198 |
| 690 to 719.99 720 to 749.99 | | | | | | 204 | 206 | 207 |
| 720 to 749.99 750 to 779.99 | | | | | | 204 204 | 215 224 | 216 225 |
| 780 to 809.99 | | | | | | 204 | 226 | 234 |
| 810 to 839.99 | | | | | | | 226 | 243 |
| 840 to 869.99 870 to 899.99 | | | | | | | 226 | 252 |
| 900 to 1019.99 | | | | | | | | 256 258 |
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Maximum income eligibility standards, effective Jan. 1, 1976, are:

| One-person household \$ 215 | Five-person household \$ 660 |
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| Two-person household 307 | Six-person household 787 |
| Three-person bousehold 433 | Seven-person household 873 |
| Four-person household 553 | Eight-person bousehold 993 |

For each additional household member over eight, add \$127 to the eight-person level.

For each additional household emember over eight, add \$38 to the monthly coupon allotment for an eight-person household.